UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EXPEREXCHANGE INC,

Plaintiff (s),

v.

DOCULEX INC,

Defendant(s).

No. C 08-03875 JCS

ORDER SETTING INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND ADR DEADLINES

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Honorable Joseph C. Spero. When serving the complaint or notice of removal, the plaintiff or removing defendant must serve on all other parties a copy of this order , the Notice of Assignment of Case to a United States Magistrate Judge for Trial, and all other documents specified in Civil Local Rule 4-2. Counsel must comply with the case schedule listed below unless the Court otherwise orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Multi-Option Program governed by <u>ADR Local Rule 3.</u> Counsel and clients shall familiarize themselves with that rule and with the material entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California" on the Court ADR Internet site at <u>www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov</u>. A limited number of printed copies are available from the Clerk's Office for parties in cases not subject to the court's Electronic Case Filing program (ECF).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff or removing defendant serve upon all parties the brochure entitled "Consenting To A Magistrate Judge's Jurisdiction In The Northern District Of California," additional copies of which can be downloaded from the following Internet site: http://www.cand.uscourts.gov.

CASE SCHEDULE -ADR MULTI-OPTION PROGRAM

Date	Event	Governing Rule
8/13/2008	Complaint filed	
10/31/2008	*Last day to: • meet and confer re: initial disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery plan	FRCivP_26(f) & ADR L.R.3-5
	• file ADR Certification signed by Parties and Counsel (form available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov)	Civil_L.R. 16-8 (b) & ADR L.R. 3-5(b)
	 file either Stipulation to ADR Process or Notice of Need for ADR Phone Conference (form available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov) 	Civil_L.R. 16-8 (c) & ADR L.R. 3-5(b) & (c)
11/14/2008	Last day to file Rule 26(f) Report, complete initial	FRCivP 26(a) (1)

disclosures or state objection in Rule 26(f) Report and file
Case Management Statement per attached Standing Order
re Contents of Joint Case Management Statement (also
available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov)

11/21/2008 INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE <u>Civil_L.R. 16-10</u>

(CMC) in Ctrm A, 15th Floor, SF at 1:30 PM

^{*}If the Initial Case Management Conference is continued, the other deadlines are continued accordingly.

STANDING ORDER

Civil Law and Motion is heard on Fridays, at 9:30 a.m. Criminal Law and Motion is

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However, noticed dates may be reset as the Court's calendar requires.

2. Case Management and Pretrial Conferences are heard on Fridays, at 1:30 p.m. Case

heard on Fridays, at 10:30 a.m. Counsel need not reserve a hearing date in advance for civil motions.

- Management Conferences will no longer be recorded, unless requested by the parties.
- 3. In cases that are randomly assigned to Judge Spero for all purposes, a Consent to Proceed before a U.S. Magistrate Judge and a Declination to Proceed Before a Magistrate Judge And Request For Reassignment to a United States District Judge Forms will be mailed to all parties. The parties are requested, within two weeks from receipt of the form, to complete and file the form indicating their consent or request for reassignment to a District Judge.
- 4. Parties with questions regarding scheduling of settlement conferences should contact Judge Spero's secretary, Mary Ann Macudzinski-Gomez, at (415) 522-3691. All other scheduling questions should be addressed to Judge Spero's courtroom deputy, Karen Hom, at (415) 522-2035.
- 5. Discovery motions may be addressed to the Court in three ways. A motion may be noticed on not less than thirty-five (35) days notice pursuant to Civil L.R. 7-2. Alternatively, any party may seek an order shortening time under Civil L.R. 6-3 if the circumstances justify that relief. In emergencies during discovery events (such as depositions), the Court is available pursuant to Civil L.R. 37-1(b). In the event a discovery dispute arises, counsel for the party seeking discovery shall in good faith confer **in person** with counsel for the party failing to make the discovery in an effort to resolve the dispute without court action, as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 37 and Civil L.R. 37-1(a). The meeting must be **in person**, except where good cause is shown why a telephone meeting is adequate. A declaration setting forth these meet and confer efforts and the final positions of each

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STANDING ORDER FOR ALL JUDGES OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CONTENTS OF JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Commencing March 1, 2007, all judges of the Northern District of California will require the identical information in Joint Case Management Statements filed pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16-9. The parties must include the following information in their statement which, except in unusually complex cases, should not exceed ten pages:

- 1. <u>Jurisdiction and Service</u>: The basis for the court's subject matter jurisdiction over plaintiff's claims and defendant's counterclaims, whether any issues exist regarding personal jurisdiction or venue, whether any parties remain to be served, and, if any parties remain to be served, a proposed deadline for service.
- 2. <u>Facts</u>: A brief chronology of the facts and a statement of the principal factual issues in dispute.
- 3. <u>Legal Issues</u>: A brief statement, without extended legal argument, of the disputed points of law, including reference to specific statutes and decisions.
- 4. <u>Motions</u>: All prior and pending motions, their current status, and any anticipated motions.
- 5. <u>Amendment of Pleadings</u>: The extent to which parties, claims, or defenses are expected to be added or dismissed and a proposed deadline for amending the pleadings.
- 6. <u>Evidence Preservation</u>: Steps taken to preserve evidence relevant to the issues reasonably evident in this action, including interdiction of any document-destruction program and any ongoing erasures of e-mails, voice mails, and other electronically-recorded material.
- 7. <u>Disclosures</u>: Whether there has been full and timely compliance with the initial disclosure requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 and a description of the disclosures made.
- 8. <u>Discovery</u>: Discovery taken to date, if any, the scope of anticipated discovery, any proposed limitations or modifications of the discovery rules, and a proposed discovery plan pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f).
- 9. Class Actions: If a class action, a proposal for how and when the class will be certified.
- 10. <u>Related Cases</u>: Any related cases or proceedings pending before another judge of this court, or before another court or administrative body.
- 11. Relief: All relief sought through complaint or counterclaim, including the amount of any

damages sought and a description of the bases on which damages are calculated. In addition, any party from whom damages are sought must describe the bases on which it contends damages should be calculated if liability is established.

- Settlement and ADR: Prospects for settlement, ADR efforts to date, and a specific ADR 12. plan for the case, including compliance with ADR L.R. 3-5 and a description of key discovery or motions necessary to position the parties to negotiate a resolution.
- Consent to Magistrate Judge For All Purposes: Whether all parties will consent to have a 13. magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings including trial and entry of judgment.
- 14. Other References: Whether the case is suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.
- 15. Narrowing of Issues: Issues that can be narrowed by agreement or by motion, suggestions to expedite the presentation of evidence at trial (e.g., through summaries or stipulated facts), and any request to bifurcate issues, claims, or defenses.
- Expedited Schedule: Whether this is the type of case that can be handled on an expedited 16. basis with streamlined procedures.
- Scheduling: Proposed dates for designation of experts, discovery cutoff, hearing of 17. dispositive motions, pretrial conference and trial.
- Trial: Whether the case will be tried to a jury or to the court and the expected length of 18. the trial.
- 19. Disclosure of Non-party Interested Entities or Persons: Whether each party has filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by Civil Local Rule 3-16. In addition, each party must restate in the case management statement the contents of its certification by identifying any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations (including parent corporations) or other entities known by the party to have either: (i) a financial interest in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding; or (ii) any other kind of interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding.
- 20. Such other matters as may facilitate the just, speedy and inexpensive disposition of this matter.